

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION ZONE COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2013 – 5:30 P.M.
TOWN HALL ANNEX COMMUNITY ROOM 3

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Nelson, Gernhard, Meyer
Staff: Cullen

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS - None

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF July 11, 2013

MOTION: To approve the minutes of July 11, 2013

Motion by Meyer, seconded by Nelson, so voted unanimously

IV. STAFF REPORT

A. PUBLIC WORKS

Commission requested that staff query the Public Works Director regarding the request that the property at 2 Elizabeth Court be signed and painted to prevent illegal parking in front of the fire hydrant.

B. ZONING – PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE ENFORCEMENT

- 30 Midway Oval – open permit; waiting to be moved
- 4 Birmingham Court – open permit
- 15 Providence Court – waiting for final inspection needed
- 47 Central Avenue – basketball hoop blocking sidewalk and still broken
- 70-72 Central Avenue – The owner is running a business out of the house; sign out front for “seamless gutter installation”
- 3 Elizabeth Court – owner still running taxi business
- 17 St. Joseph Ct – Both vehicles have been removed; problem has now been resolved.
- 26 Midway Oval – Brush has been removed, new issue of bulky waste.
- 15 Gary Court – A report has been filed that junk piles are on site.
- 11 Midway Oval – Junk vehicles have been on site for three months
- Between Carter Park and ShipCo – Junk, mattresses and debris

- 28 Flint Court – bulky waste has been removed
- 34 Flint Court – Unregistered vehicle is on site.
- 17&18 Elizabeth Court – grass being cut regularly
- 1 York Court – obstructed egress issues reported to Fire Marshal

C. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Staff reported that the Town of Groton has received \$400,000 from the State for the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program.

D. COMMUNITY POLICING

No officer available.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Vice Chairman Meyer expressed frustration at the slow response to enforcement issues in the neighborhood. The other members were in agreement. The committee wished to express that they are feeling neglected by the lack of consistent inspections and escalating property code compliance issues.

New issues of chickens and roosters at 67 Midway Oval and ducks at 69 Midway Oval. Meyer will bring in pictures.

Vice Chairman Meyer asked if the by-laws required monthly meetings and requested that the new schedule reflect quarterly meetings if possible. The other members agreed.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS – None

VII. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Lisa Gernhard, Secretary
Neighborhood Revitalization Zone Committee

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